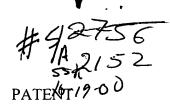
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Prior to the initial review, please amend the application as follows.

## IN THE CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Please delete the current statement in its entirety and insert therefore:

-- This application is a Continuation-in-Part of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/378,221 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ACCESSING A REMOTE LOCATION BY SCANNING AN OPTICAL CODE," filed on August 19, 1999, which is

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a Continuation-in-Part of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/151,471 entitled "METHOD FOR INTERFACING SCANNED PRODUCT INFORMATION WITH A SOURCE FOR THE PRODUCT OVER A GLOBAL NETWORK" filed on September 11, 1998, and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/151,530 entitled "METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER WITH AN AUDIO SIGNAL" filed on September 11, 1998, and which issued on August 1, 2000 as U.S. Patent No. 6,098,106; the present application being related to the following pending U.S. Patent Applications: Serial No. 09/378,219 entitled "INTERACTIVE DOLL," filed on August 19, 1999; Serial No. 09/378,222 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EMBEDDING ROUTING INFORMATION TO A REMOTE WEB SITE IN AN AUDIO/VIDEO TRACK," filed on August 19, 1999; Serial No. 09/378,220 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER FROM A REMOTE LOCATION," filed on August 19, 1999; Serial No. 09/378,216 entitled "A METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER USING AN EMBEDDED UNIQUE CODE IN THE CONTENT OF VIDEO TAPE MEDIA," filed on August 19, 1999; Serial No. 09/378,218 entitled "A METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER USING AN EMBEDDED UNIQUE CODE IN THE CONTENT OF DVD MEDIA," filed on August 19, 1999; Serial No. 09/378,217 entitled "A METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER USING AN EMBEDDED UNIQUE CODE IN THE CONTENT OF CD MEDIA," filed on August 19, 1999; Serial No. 09/378,215 entitled "A METHOD FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER USING AN EMBEDDED UNIQUE CODE IN THE CONTENT OF DAT MEDIA," filed on August 19, 1999; and related to the following co-pending U.S. Patent Applications filed on even date with the present application: Serial No. 09/382,427 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPENING AND LAUNCHING A WEB BROWSER IN RESPONSE TO AN AUDIBLE SIGNAL;" Serial No. 09/382,426 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COMPLETING, SECURING AND CONDUCTING AN E-COMMERCE TRANSACTION;" Serial No. 09/382,425 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DIRECTING AN EXISTING PRODUCT CODE TO A REMOTE LOCATION;" Serial No. 09/382,373 entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LAUNCHING A WEB SITE